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Dear Sir:

Applicant herewith abandons Application Serial No. 10/718,818 without prejudice to Applicant's rights in any inventions described and/or claimed therein or to the filing by Applicant of a new application directed to such inventions.

Respectfully submitted,

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